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SHORE .-

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BONE-CRUSHER, ALL ISN'T IT TIME WE GOT RID O' RIGHT! I SEEN HIS TEETH THAT FOUR-FOOTED) GIT UP A MARKS IN A DOZEN MEN AND A HUNDRED HEAD HELL-CAT! O' CATTLE!

NO. HE WON'T! IF YE WANT ANY CATTLE ANY CATTLE SOMETIMES A LEFT, YE BETTER! POSSE IS THIS'S BOXE-FOR HUMAN MURDERERS-CRUSHER'S FIRST VISITT' THIS TIME IT'LL TOM'S RANCH- BE FOR AN HE GIT'S TIRED-ANIMAL!



HAT NIGHT -- AT TOM FARNUM'S RANCHHOUSE ...

AIN'T YOU COMIN' BULLZ



YOU'RE WRONG BULL! - BONE CRUSHER IS SLY AS THEY COME! HE'LL BE OUT T'NIGHT, AN'





















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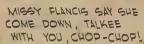
THE SUN'S BAKED
ALL THE FOOTPRINTS
HARD --- SO IF
BONE-CRUSHER
KILLED TOM, THE
MUD SHOULD'YE
TAKEN NICE PAW
PRINTS --- ONLY THERE
AREN'T ANY PAW



JUST A SMALL—
SIZE FOOT PRINT,
LIKE TOM'S, AND
BIG ONS'S--'ROUND SIZE 12WITH THREE HOB
MAIL MARKS IN
THE HEEL!







THANKS, WONG! INCIDENTALLY, HAS ANYBODY CLEANED THAT **LION-RUG** LATELY?



THE LION-LUG? OH, NO, MISSA SHELIFF...

THAT'S CURIOUS --- I'M
SURE IT GOT WET YESTERDYFROM THE MATTED STATE
O' TH' WAIR ---







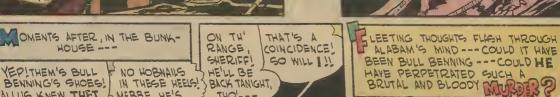
ALABAM LOCO! LION LUG

THIS GET'S STRANGER
BY THE MINUTE!
THERE'S FLESH
CAUGHT IN THESE
CLANG!---HUMAN
FLESH!



























THREE HOBNAILS IN

YOUR HEEL, BULL ! I'VE

















BUT YOU'RE COMIN' WITH ME BY HOOK OR CROOK, SEES



THE ROAD --
AN' I HAD IT PLANNED
PERFECT, TOO!IT'S
THAT SHERIFF'S
FAULT!

MIGOSH! (GASP) --- CLUCKE; IN TH' ROAD-!

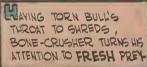
















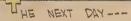












BULL BENNING TOOK ADVANTAGE OF BONECRUGHER'S REPUTATION TO KILL TOM
FARNUM AND THUG MARRY FRAN! THESE
WERE THE TOOLS WITH WHICH HE
IMITATED BONE-CRUGHER'S MURDER
METHODS---BUT IRONICALLY, BULL DIED A
VICTIM OF THE ONE HE IMITATED---

BONE-CRUSHER HIMSELF!











ON THE HILL OVERLOOKING THE MURDER

MAYBE YOU'LL BE CURED OF DRINK AFTER THIS, CHEROKEE CHARLEY! THE GALLOWS HAS A WAY OF HANDLING VICES













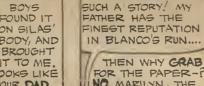




A LETTER TO SILAS GOFF IN MY FATHER'S HAND-WRITING !.. (GASP!) T-THREATENING TO KILL SILAS UNLESS SILAS EXTENDS A \$ 25,000 LOAN TO HIM! T-THIS IS AWFUL - ! WHERE'D YOU GET THIS PAPERS

ONE OF MY BOYS FOUND IT ON SILAS' BROUGHT IT TO ME. LOOKS LIKE YOUR DAD SHOT SILAS CHEROKEE CHARLEY!

BODY, AND AND FRAMED



FOR THE PAPER-? NO MARILYN, THE SHERIFF'D BE MIGHTY INTERESTED IN THIS THREATENING LETTER -- INTERESTED ENOUGH TO HANG YOUR DAD!

NOBODY'D BELIEVE



I THINK I .. NOTHING UNDERSTAND NOW. MUCH, JUST WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR KEEPING THE LETTER SECRET?

A FRIEND I CAN'T BELIEVE

VERY WELL. ILL YOUR WORDS MARRY YOU. NOW OF TENDER GET OUT OF MY LOVE THRILL SIGHT AND STAY ME TO THE HEART, OUT OF IT, UNTIL MARILYN !-- LET ME OUR WEDDING! INFORM YOU OUR WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT TAKES PLACE NEXT SUNDAY

















A HALF HOUR LATER. .









THEYRE GOING TO HANG CHEROKEE CHARLEY FOR







































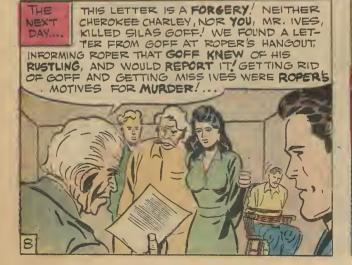






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The entire village knew that a big camp of white men had been pitched in a clearing near a dirt track that crossed the jungle. The head man of the village had sent down three tribesmen to investigate and they had not returned for a week. When they reported to him, they explained their long absence. With scores of other natives, the three scouts had helped clear a wide area.

Once the camp was in order, the place became an uproar of activity. The white men ran around shouting orders, pointing black machines which clicked and purred as natives crouched, ran, climbed, fought, threw spears, and cried. It was all somewhat insane to the headman, but to the little boy who listened on the roof of the palaver house, the story of the scouts seemed to be full of wonder. He hoped very hard that some of these visitors would come to HIS village. He would only be too glad to run and climb for the strangers!

A few days later, the headman's little son, Simu, got his wish. Two white men strolled into the village aiming little boxes. One of the scouts introduced the two white men to the headman. After a hearty handshake, one of the white men took several steps backward and aimed his little black box at the headman. The headman threw up his arms and screamed. The white men threw back their heads and laughed. One white man took a photograph out

of his pack and showed it to the scout, indicating various things on the photo with a wide grin. The scout in turn showed the paper to the headman, but the latter smashed the piece of paper to the ground without looking at it. The two white men stopped smiling, looked at each other in bewilderment, and finally one of them pulled a magazine out of his pack. The title of the magazine was "Things". It was full of pictures. The white man who had tried to photograph the headman offered the magazine to the chieftain. Again, the headman struck down the article. The magazine lay in the dust in front of the palaver house. The two white men exchanged glances. From his vantage point on top of the palaver house, little Simu had observed with saucered eyes the unpleasant incidents.

His father was very angry with the visitors, that was plain to see. Then Simu watched sadly as the white men made a gesture of inquiry at Terror Mountain. They seemed to ask: What was that mountain that rose 5,000 feet from the lush jungle? They were told that the mountain was an evil place and that white men were forbidden to go there. One of the white men pointed to his camera, while the other asked why they were not permitted to go to the mountain . . . was it a sacred mountain? Desiring to be rid of these guests whom he now heartily disliked, the chief nodded and shouted threats at the two white men. All the explanation the white men could get were that no Burmese could be persuaded to go within a mile of Popa, the sacred mountain, and that much horror would befall any man who'd venture upon its slopes.

Instead of looking fearful, Simu noticed that the white men seemed pleased with this information. Simu watched them make deep bows of respect and take their leave. He could not read their lips, but he could read the sparkle in their eyes! These men were going to

climb Terror Mountain!

When the men had gone, little Simu darted to the ground and snatched up the photograph that lay in the dirt before the palaver house. Simu experienced a shiver of delight to see the image of a leopard on the bit of paper. This was true magic! To make the great leopard so small and so harmless. Simu ran his finger over the brute's mouth and felt no pain! This was, indeed, a very remarkable magic. He felt ashamed that his father had turned away these wonderful white strangers with their magical boxes.

Meanwhile, the two white men made a wide detour of the headman's village and struck out for the sacred mountain

Hours later the two were toiling up the boulder-strewn slope of the forbidden mountain.

"D-don't see anything-g so w-wonderful about it t-this far," panted the

one called Bill.

It wasn't until they reached the top of the mountain that they noticed the earth was alive.
"Great Scott!" Bill exclaimed. The

"Great Scott!" Bill exclaimed. The blood left his cheeks. "Look, Joey . . .

The entire summit was crawling with snakes. Most of the writhing pack were king cobras, but among them Bill could spot plenty of Russell vipers and banded kraits. Bill's companion needed no invitation. In a minute, at least a dozen shots of the nightmare sight were recorded for "Things", the picture magazine. But their happiness was shortlived. Believing that the snakes lay before them, they were scared out of a year's growth by a whistling sound and the hard smack of a cobra's fangs on

the stone at their heels! Both men whirled, their hair standing up as much as a tropical close crop would allow. Not only was there a roadblock of snakes in front of them, but there were TWO road blocks of snakes BEHIND them!

An eternity of waiting seemed to have passed when they heard a piping little voice calling to them from behind the swamp of snakes. It was Simu, the headman's son. He was dancing up and down and gesticulating toward the heavens.

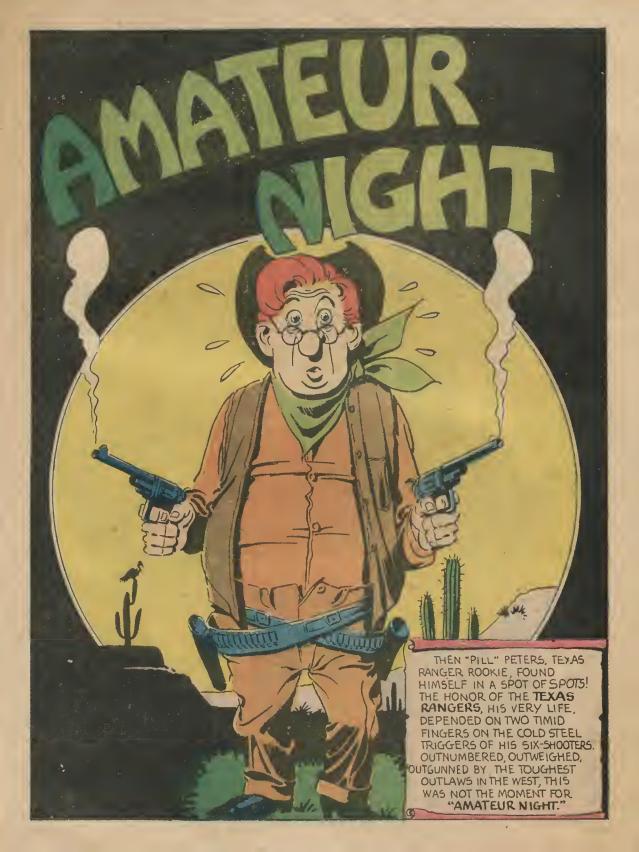
"The kid's goofy," muttered Bill between clenched teeth. "Let's chance it before the two batches of snakes meet!" Both men made ready to sprint. But Simu was going beserk telling them to keep back. He made such a rumpus that the snakes began to heave and break ranks. Both men recoiled as the snakes began to move in all directions. "He's finished us!" Bill screamed. "His darned yowling's finished us!" He felt like blasting the kid's head off with his .45 when a shock of coldness smote his head.

Sheets of Burmese rain slanted ruthlessly down upon the mountain soaking the men to the skin . . . all in a matter of seconds. Through the sudden, driving storm, Bill saw the kid jumping up and down with glee and pointing joyously at the heavens.

A miracle was taking place. As though the rain erased them, the slope became miraculously clear of snakes! They crawled into every hole, under every rock, into the very ground itself... as though by divine decree there were no more snakes!

"That's what the kid meant when he pointed to the sky!!" shouted Bill as they raced toward Simu. "He knew a rainstorm was coming and realized the snakes would get out of the rain.

Before the white men left the vicinity, little Simu was given a big party and many presents. But the one he valued most, hung in the palaver house It was an enormous enlargement of a full figure photograph of Simu It was so big, Simu began to think of himself thereafter as a giant. And in a sense, Simu was not entirely wrong!







AFTER THE HOT TIP THAT THE NOTCH GUN GANG ARE COMING TO TOWN, WE CAN'T BUNGLE THIS JOB, PRONTO.



SHHHH.... NO NOISE, PRONTO! WE'LL TAKE 'EM BY SURPRISE!

THIS GUN SO HEAVY? MAYBE

WHY'S

SUFFERING SIMOLEONS! DIDN'T THAT DUMB ROOKIE GO AHEAD AND DO IT?

































































































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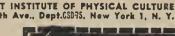
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